



Attorney Docket No. SIC-04-034

**POWER OF ATTORNEY BY ASSIGNEE**

Shimano, Inc. is the Assignee of the invention entitled:

A BICYCLE SPROCKET HAVING A THICKENED SPLINE  
the specification of which      is attached hereto or XX was filed on September 10, 2004 as  
Application No. 10/711,326

Assignee hereby appoints the following attorney to prosecute this application and transact all  
business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith:

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**SHIMANO, INC.**

Date:

Nov. 2, 2004

By:

Kozo Kitagawa  
(Signature)

Name: **KOZO KITAGAWA**

Title: **Director, Patent and Trademark Department**



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**CERTIFICATE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 3.73(b)**

Applicant: TAKAHIRO NAKANO, et al.

Application No.: 10/711,326 Filed: September 10, 2004

Entitled: A BICYCLE SPROCKET HAVING A THICKENED SPLINE

SHIMANO, INC., a JAPANESE CORPORATION

(Name of Assignee)

(Type of Assignee, e.g., corporation, partnership, university, government agency, etc.)

certifies that it is:

1. ☒ the assignee of the entire right, title and interest; or
2. ☐ An assignee of an undivided part interest

in the patent application identified above by virtue of either:

A. ☒ An assignment from the inventor(s) of the patent application identified above. The assignment was recorded in the Patent and Trademark Office at Reel \_\_\_\_\_, Frame(s) \_\_\_\_\_, or for which a copy thereof is attached.

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B. ☐ A chain of title from the inventor(s), of the patent application identified above, to the current assignee as shown below:

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The undersigned (whose title is supplied below) is empowered to sign this certificate on behalf of the assignee.

Date: Nov. 2, 2004

Name: KOZO KITAGAWA

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Signature: Kozo Kitagawa

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**ASSIGNMENT OF PATENT APPLICATION**

WHEREAS, TAKAHIRO NAKANO  
of 6-12-29-D101 Ozato, Sennan, Osaka, 590-0526, Japan  
hereinafter referred to as "Assignor," is the inventor of the invention described and set forth in the  
below identified application for United States Letters Patent:

Title of the Invention: A BICYCLE SPROCKET HAVING A THICKENED SPLINE

Date of execution of Declaration: November 1, 2004

Filing date: September 10, 2004

Serial No.: 10/711,326; and

WHEREAS, Shimano, Inc., a Japanese corporation, located at 3-77, Oimatsu-cho, Sakai, Osaka, Japan, hereinafter referred to as "Assignee," is desirous of acquiring Assignor's interest in the invention and application and in any Letters Patent which may be granted on the same;

NOW, THEREFORE, TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN: Be it known that, for good and valuable consideration, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged by Assignor, Assignor has sold, assigned and transferred, and by these presents does sell, assign and transfer to Assignee, and to Assignee's successors and assigns, all of Assignor's right title and interest in and to the invention and application, and in and to any Letters Patent which may hereafter be granted on the same in the United States, the said interest to be held and enjoyed by Assignee as fully and exclusively as it would have been held and enjoyed by Assignor had this Assignment and transfer not been made, to the full end and term of any Letters Patent which may be granted thereon, or of any division, renewal, continuation in whole or in part, substitution, conversion, reissue, prolongation or extension thereof.

Assignor further agrees that Assignor will, without charge to Assignee, but at Assignee's expense, cooperate with Assignee in the prosecution of said application and/or applications, execute, verify, acknowledge and deliver all such further papers, including applications for Letters Patent and for the reissue thereof, and instruments of assignment and transfer thereof, and will perform such other acts as Assignee lawfully may request, to obtain or maintain Letters Patent for said invention, and to vest title thereto in Assignee, or in Assignee's successors and assigns.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, Assignor has signed his/her name on the date indicated.

Nakano Takahiro  
TAKAHIRO NAKANO

Date: Nov. 1, 2004

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consideration, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged by Assignor, Assignor has sold, assigned and  
transferred, and by these presents does sell, assign and transfer to Assignee, and to Assignee's  
successors and assigns, all of Assignor's right title and interest in and to the invention and application,  
and in and to any Letters Patent which may hereafter be granted on the same in the United States, the  
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cooperate with Assignee in the prosecution of said application and/or applications, execute, verify,  
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Assignee lawfully may request, to obtain or maintain Letters Patent for said invention, and to vest title  
thereto in Assignee, or in Assignee's successors and assigns.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, Assignor has signed his/her name on the date indicated.

Kenji Kamada  
KENJI KAMADA

Date: Nov. 1, 2004